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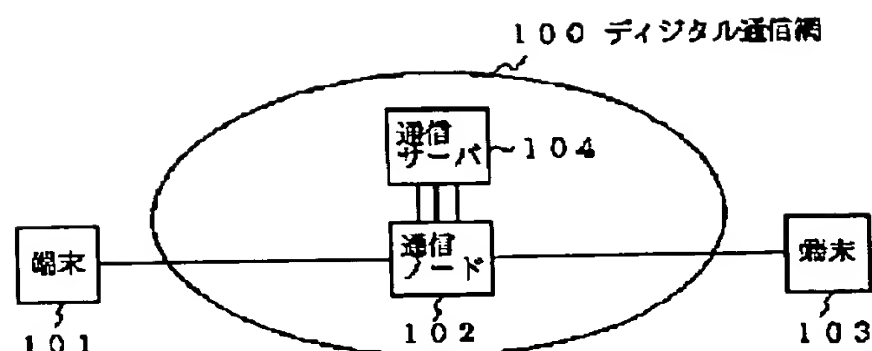
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TITLE   : METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DOWN
                LOADING COMMUNICATION
                SOFTWARE

ABSTRACT : PURPOSE: To enable the automatic down load of a communication software optimum for the hardware and software environments of a terminal.

CONSTITUTION: Terminals 101 and 103 perform the digital communication of video telephone, etc., while being mutually connected through a communication node 102. A communication server 104 stores the communication softwares for the terminals 101 and 103 to perform communication control such as call setting concerning various versions. Before, the down load of the software to the terminal side, the communication server 104 transmits an environment search program to the terminal side. The terminal side invetigates its own hardware/software environment and reports it to the communication server 104. The communication server 104 analyzes the reported result from the terminal side, decides any optimum software to be transmitted to the terminal side and down loads this software to the terminal side.